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Notice to Mariners: Rocket Launch October 12

The NASA Wallops Flight Facility has postponed the launch of a Lockheed-Martin hybrid sounding rocket scheduled for October 11. The launch is now scheduled for 4 to 7:30 a.m. October 12. The backup launch day is October 13 from 4 to 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The area in the Atlantic Ocean that poses a danger to mariners during the project is posted on the Boaters Launch Information page under the Wallops web site at www.wff.nasa.gov. Boaters are asked to remain clear of this area during operations.

Wallops will operate an alternating red and white beacon or fly an orange blimp at 400 feet altitude on Wallops Island beginning 30 minutes before the launch. The beacon will be turned off or the blimp lowered when the mission is completed and the danger to mariners no longer exists. In addition, boaters may tune to Marine Channel 12 to monitor the operations.

Mission updates and completion will be noted on the Wallops launch status line at 757-824-2050.

Thank you for your assistance and support.

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